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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 26, 2007 7:25 PM  
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Sept 1

Pls sched Aug 31-Sept 1 I'll be in Frbnks with DOL Commish Click Bishop. Thanks!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 26, 2007 10:22 AM  
**To:** hytrys@starband.net  
**Subject:** RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 25, 2007 10:29 PM  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)  
**Subject:** Other

Web mail from: Mr. Daniel Hytry  
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MESSAGE:

Dear Honorable Sarah Palin:

The Postal Service is the most important part of any Alaskan community; the mail is a dependable service none of us can live without. Lake Minchumina is not different. The latest news on our P.O. is if the community can find a facility that will have "little to no cost" to the USPS our P.O. will remain a full service P.O. This is quite a request. However the community did come up with some options at the short notice they gave us (2-3 days). Here is some background information:

USPS has a building on leased FAA land, but the land has contaminates. The lease is up September 30, 2007, USPS will not extend the lease, even though FAA is liable for the contaminates, but USPS denies this even though they've got the documentation that states FAA is liable and will remain liable. It is also Federal Law. They've even been so kind as to share this documentation with us. We've pointed it out a number of times, to each department, they don't seem to care.

Options given by community:

1. Move the current facility onto the school district's property temporarily (We acquired permission from the Superintendent to do so.) while Lake Minchumina's local Gov. pursues leasing land from FAA or moving building to private property.
2. USPS pursues leasing a different piece of property from FAA; this could be done at

little to no cost and wouldn't take much time.

3. Lake Minchumina's local Gov. is pursuing purchasing a building that would be available to use as a P.O. free of charge.

4. USPS extends lease with FAA.

5. USPS purchases currently leased land from FAA.

- FAA remains liable for contaminates even after transfer.

- Cost \$10,000.

USPS told us they'd like to "break even" on their costs of operation in Lake Minchumina, there is no P.O. in the state of Alaska that breaks even; Paul Larson of USPS admitted this.

USPS also wants the facility to have sewer and hot/cold water, very few post offices in rural Alaska have sewer or running water, Paul also agreed on this fact.

USPS wants Handicap accessibility, for a full service P.O. or contract post office. Very few P.O.s in rural Alaska have that either.

USPS requires the land be at least 1 acre.

If these are requirements of the USPS, why then is our P.O. being singled out? Every rural Post Office in Alaska will be shut down if USPS implements all of theses requirements. Please help our P.O. in Lake Minchumina remain a full service Post Office.

Thank you,

Daniel Hytry

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